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## Notice.

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The War department recently advertised for bids for 70,000 yards of red tape. Those who have business with the department will get some of it.

The older Herbert Spencer grows the more he despises socialism. He has recently written: "The assertion that any of my views favor socialism causes me great irritation. I believe the advent of socialism to be the greatest disaster the world has ever known."

One of the latest private residences completed in New York is heated by electricity. Electricity will likewise be the cooking in the kitchen, and there are electric bells, electric dumb-waiters, an electric passenger elevator and electric ventilating fans. Electricity also operates a refrigerating system which is arranged to keep the temperature in summer as cool as it is in winter.

Special arrangements are being made in Paris to cope with street accidents. The city is, it seems, to be mapped out into districts; an ambulance station is to be placed in each district; notice boards are to be put up at every conspicuous corner, indicating the "first aid" station; near each notice board is to be installed a telephone, by means of which the nearest ambulance station can be immediately communicated with, and an ambulance, and if need be, a doctor, thus summoned to the scene without loss of time.

The Boston Herald calls attention to the fact that California is by a law of the State bound to the gold standard in her money dealings. This law was passed during the war of the rebellion with the purpose of protecting the State from the inflation that prevailed at the East, under the issue of paper money by the government, and, being supported by public opinion, it became effective. California's debts at that time, both public and private, were always paid in gold, and this about doubled the income of eastern people who had investments in that State at the time. Yet California is now claimed by the silverites as favoring a silver basis.

Tolstoi is said to have gone in search of a new publisher recently and to have entered his office unannounced and dressed in peasant garb. "I really cannot be bothered," said the publisher as he declined to examine the author's manuscript. "It is of no use for me to look at your sketches. We have hundreds of such things in hand, and have really no time to deal with yours even though you were in a position to guarantee the cost, which I very much doubt." Then Tolstoi in true story-book style disclosed his identity, and the humbled publisher made every effort to secure the manuscript, but without avail. "I must find a publisher who has more time and does not exact a guarantee," said the count as he departed.

Professor Max Muller asks for money to photograph the inscriptions of the Kutho Daw, near Mandalay in Burmah, before they are destroyed. The Kutho Daw is a collection of over 700 Buddhist temples, each containing a white marble slab on which part of the Tripitaka, the great Buddhist Bible, is engraved; together they give the entire work, which consists of 275,200 stanzas, or 8,808,000 syllables, nearly fifteen times the bulk of our Old Testament. The language is the Pali of the fifth century before Christ, believed to have been spoken by Buddha; the characters are the Burmese letters, and the text was revised by a learned commission. The monument was erected in 1857 by Mindonmin, the predecessor of King Thebaw, but the dampness of the climate is rapidly effacing the inscriptions.

There will soon be established in Detroit the largest salt factory in the world. "The water of the Detroit river," says one of the prime movers in the enterprise, "is especially adapted to our use, being chemically pure. The salt elements which obtain in Huron and the St. Clair river, disappear the salt works of that district entirely eliminated by passing Lake St. Clair. That body of an immense setting basin,

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## AN USUAL.

In spite of the fact that water is water and cannot be walked upon in these days some said that Yale had a "walk-over" on the Thames yesterday. She certainly had a "clinch." Poor Harvard! Not long ago she was taking very high ground in the matter of athletics and it looked as if she would not disgrace herself by any more vulgar struggles for cheap victories. But she came off her perch and has again disgraced herself, and is without even the consolation of a cheap victory. She would have done better to stay in the upper ether and be as good as she is fair.

This "Yale supremacy" is becoming monotonous. It has, however, its advantages. One of them is that it is hard work to get up much noisy enthusiasm over that which is a matter of course. So the celebrations in New Haven of Yale's victories on land and water have lost much of their former dreadfulness. A few tin horns are now blown and a few firecrackers exploded. But there is now comparative quiet where once was pandemonium. This is much appreciated by those whose enthusiasm doesn't run to Chinese noises. Last night the city was almost as quiet as Cambridge, though the atmosphere was much lighter than the gloomy air of that sorrowful place.

Why cannot Harvard row? should be the question before the house at the next great debate between Harvard and Yale. If the Harvard orators could answer that question and do it in such a way as to make Yale oratory seem small the affair would be both interesting and compensating.

## SOME REAL PROGRESS.

Conspicuous among the good things which the present legislature of this State has done is the passage of the bill providing for a beginning of the much needed improvement of the roads of the State. And a fitting supplement to that action is the passage of the "wide tire" bill, which will do much to decrease the wear and tear on the improved roads. The bill provides that on and after the first day of July, 1896, all vehicles used upon the highways of this State in the transportation of merchandise, except such vehicles as were already in use within this State prior to said date, shall be equipped with tires of widths as follows: All vehicles having an iron axle two inches square or an axle of equivalent capacity shall be equipped with tires not less than four inches in width. All vehicles having an iron axle of one inch and three-quarters square or an axle of equivalent capacity shall be equipped with tires not less than three inches in width. All vehicles having an iron axle one inch and a half square or an axle of equivalent capacity shall be equipped with tires not less than two and one-half inches in width.

This is very reasonable action. It does not affect wagons now in use, and it gives time enough for all concerned to prepare for the new deal. With better roads and wider tires the people of Connecticut will make a great step forward. The reform has been slow in getting a start, but that it is finally in motion is matter for hearty rejoicing.

## MEN WANTED.

"What constitutes a State?" asked the poet, and then answered, "Men, high-minded men." The poet spoke truly, and it should be always remembered that men of good quality are more important than social or legislative schemes to regenerate the world. In his baccalaureate sermon President Angell called the attention of the graduates of the University of Michigan to the chief need of the times. There is, he truly said, in some quarters too much disposition to coddle men with the idea that for the overwhelming majority of us there is any way to gain an honest living except to work for it, day in and day out, with all our might. And he further said: What I am deprecating is what seems to me an increasing tendency to substitute for the old-fashioned American individuality and enterprise and pluck, which hewed down the forests, built towns and cities, a weak and whining dependence on Utopian schemes of legislation or social reconstruction for our prosperity. What we need is not so much new laws or new social devices as to keep up the race of men, brave, intelligent, industrious, capable of standing squarely on their own feet, and bracing the storms of life. So long as we can rear these we shall have laws and a social organism adequate for our needs.

These are words of truth and soberness. Strong, high-minded men can make a country something like what it should be. And it may be pointed out that beer, cigarettes and lascivious carriage are not favorable to the making of such men.

"I'm not troublin' meself about the new woman," blurted out O'Murphy, making his way deviously homeward at 3 a. m. "It's th' old woman that's worryin' me!"—Chicago Tribune.

## FASHION NOTES.

A Prophecy Not Half Fulfilled. The low necked dresses that May promised for June's outdoor wear have not appeared as yet in numbers sufficiently large to make them seem altogether pleasing at first glance. The slight V is well enough for those who like it and where throats can bear the display, but the occasional cases of overdoing the cut are nothing less than dreadful. Low neck, except for elaborate functions is not in good taste, and dresses for afternoon wear or for evening home use should be cut out but a wee bit. Truth to tell, this is a trying cut, for often a neck that makes a good showing if exposed well towards the shoulders, is a little awkward about the rise of the throat and the portion that includes "salt cellars" and collar bones." This fact merely constitutes a greater inducement for a woman who has a pretty upper throat



CLARETS SAUTERNES.

and she may safe adopt the cut if she wishes to.

With most women it is safer to give character to the bodice by some unique accessory or novel cut, than to shorten it too rashly, and there is now a fine selection from which to choose. Here is one in this picture, a fancy waist of dark blue crepon, furnished with a yoke of white guipure underlaid with pale blue sash, and finished with a stock collar of blue satin ribbon ornamented with pale blue chignon rosettes. At either side of the front are bretelles of folded pale blue sash fastened with big blue satin bows, the latter repeated at the waist. Between bretelles and shoulders are jet bands which end in fringes at back and front. The sleeves have big puffs of the pale blue stuff.

Plaid silk lining still makes the demure serge rig dazzling in unexpected places. To be just right the silk petticoat should be of the same plaid. That you may be proved above the economy of one's jacket dress that is to be worn with a change of shirt waists, you may have the eon lined with silk to match that of the silk shirt waist. But you won't do that if you are wise, and it is much nicer to be wise than to be rich.

## THE FLEETING SHOW.

Some of Its Facts and Fancies. (Written for the JOURNAL AND COURIER.) OF A WOMAN'S INVENTION.

A new system of writing, by means of which the blind can communicate both with those who can see and those who are sightless, has been invented by a French woman, Mile. Molot of Angiers. It has been thoroughly tested, and is found to be as perfect a method as could be devised.

The first to propose a practical method of writing for the blind was Louis Braille, who sixty years ago was a pupil at the Institute for the blind in Paris. His idea of writing was also applied to printing, and the Braille type, forming embossed letters, has long been in use. But all systems of writing taught to the blind, up to the present time, have been intended for those unfortunates who read only by touch. Mile. Molot's very simple invention, however, enables them to communicate with those who read by sight. The mental frame employed has square perforations, arranged in parallel lines. These squares are indented on the four sides and corners so that the blind stylus used in forming the characters may be guided in making horizontal, vertical and diagonal lines. The Roman alphabet is used as these may correctly be made with straight lines, angles and slight curves. By moving the stylus from one angle of the perforation to another, and from the little notches, it is possible to form all the letters, large and small, with ease and accuracy. The blind are taught to write from right to left of the sheet. A pad of blotting paper laid under the writing paper brings out the letters in relief on the side opposite that on which they are written, so that on reversing the leaf the letters are found in their proper position. When the writing is intended to be read by seeing eyes a slip of carbon paper is placed between the blotting paper and the sheet on which the characters are formed. The writing is thus not only brought out in relief, but the letters are colored as on a printed page. Mile. Molot's method solves a problem long puzzled over by educators of the blind, and is as simple as it is satisfactory. Like the paper bag, the wire sifting basket and a score more of simple and useful inventions, the wonder is that it was not thought of years ago.

## REMARKABLE.

Miss Minnie Gertrude Kelly, appointed by Commissioner Roosevelt, is filling the positions of secretary and stenographer at the police headquarters in New York city. She does the work of two men employed under the Tammany regime, and receives a salary of \$1,700, which will be a saving of \$1,200 per annum to the city. The most remarkable thing about this is not that a woman is doing the work of two men, but that her salary is somewhat larger than was paid to each one of the two. There is encouragement in this and in some other hopeful signs of the times to believe that the days are nearly over when capable and energetic women will be expected to do double duty on half pay.

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR A SHORT STORY.

Miss Mary E. Wilkins, the author of

"Pembroke," "A Humble Romance," pronounced by Bishop Brooks "the best short story ever written," and many other stories, all of which are remarkable in their delineation of New England character, has recently achieved success in a line of writing unlike anything she has attempted before. And this was in competition with hundreds of writers, among whom were many of high repute in the literary world.

The Bachelors' Syndicate of New York, having offered a prize of \$2,000 for the best short story of the "detective" order, not less than three thousand manuscripts were sent in from all parts of the globe. Australia, Greece, Germany, France, the West Indies and Mexico were among the foreign countries from which English-speaking authors forwarded their contributions. Mr. Irving Bacheller and a staff of experienced readers set themselves diligently to examine the heaps on heaps of mss. and finally narrowed the number down to fifty. Then there was a further winnowing by Mr. John H. Borer, assistant editor of the "Literary Digest," who selected twelve and sent them to Hamilton Mable, one of the leading critics of this country and associate editor of the "Outlook" for the decisive examination. Reading with special regard to "dramatic interest, inventiveness, novelty and simplicity, and directness of style," he fixed upon, as combining these qualities in the highest degree, a story entitled "The Long Arm." Next in order of excellence was the story called "In the Twinkling of an Eye." When the sealed envelopes held by the syndicate were opened the author of the first mentioned story was found to be Miss Wilkins, who had written in collaboration with Joseph Edgar Chamberlain of the editorial staff of the Youth's Companion. He is also known as the "Listener" of the Boston Transcript. The second prize story was written by Brander Matthews, professor of English literature at Columbia college, and well known as an author.

Many of the stories sent were trashy or crude or weak, as might have been expected. But many others were excellent, such as the one submitted by Anna Katherine Green, writer of many ingenious "detective stories." It might seem at first as if the "detective story" was not at all in the line of Miss Wilkins' genius. Yet a writer who can deal so justly yet sympathetically with the intricacies of New England character, the imperiousness of hereditary traits and the subtleties of temptation, who never uses one sentence too many or too few, and whose word pictures are as distinct and strong as they are delicate and finished, could hardly be expected to fail in any line of literary writing that she may be inclined to attempt.

## HILARY.

## STRAINED.

Miss Chatter—What fool-killers cigarettes are. Don't you think so, Mr. Noodleby? Mr. Noodleby—Weally, I couldn't say, Miss Chatter. I never smoked one in my life, don'tcherknow—Life.

Brace—I like a joke, but printing a fellow's death notice is carrying a joke too far. Bagley—Didn't you say you would pay me Saturday night that five you borrowed, if you were alive?—Puck.

Talk of women being timid! Nonsense! Why, a little meek-faced thing, this slip of a girl will wear balloon sleeves right in the middle of the cyclone blizzard, and that without flinching.—Boston Transcript.

Whoever (who has just bought a bike)—Do you think the bicycle has come to stay? Sprocket—Well, a good deal depends on whether you paid outright for it or got it on the instalment plan.—Yonkers Statesman.

He—Wasn't Brown's wife named Stone before she was married? She—Yes, and it was a very suitable name. He—What do you mean? She—Oh, nothing; only she threw herself at his head.—World's Comic.

Mrs. Swellbones—They say that if you drink absinthe it makes your hand tremble dreadfully. Mr. Finscher—Really? Walter, make me a large absinthe instead of ginger ale. I am going to wear diamond rings at the opera to-night.—The World.

Rev. Mr. Heavyweight (who has just read "Peter's Denial of Christ")—What are you so thoughtful 'bout, Uncle 'Rastus? Uncle 'Rastus—I was thinkin' Peter had been a cullud gemman, dat rooster wouldn't have crowed more'n once.—Puck.

## An Entertaining Photographer.

(From Harper's Round Table.)

The correspondents of the great papers of the world went about their always dangerous business during the recent war between China and Japan at their peril, and were in constant danger of being captured and hung or murdered by either party. Some of these bright and daring men did lose their lives there, and no one takes the trouble to sing a requiem over them in verse or prose, but others, in spite of all the opposition, got to and remained at the front, and succeeded in sending out accurate news to their papers.

It was one of these successful newspaper men, and a Japanese at that, who originated the idea of using a balloon to help him get to the front, as well as to keep him safely out of reach of both contestants. He procured a balloon, several, in fact—and had a peculiar metal framework constructed, which held him firmly in place under the balloon, and left his arms free, so that he



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could use them to write, or to work a huge camera that was also attached and supported by the same iron frame. By means of straps over his shoulders and about his body he could keep himself moderately firm in position, and his camera reasonably stationary, except, of course, for the movements of the balloon itself, which he could not regulate.

Several times this correspondent was sent up in his balloon, and held by an assistant with the help of a long rope far above houses, and even hills, so that he could take photographs on his huge lens of the general view of a battle, while he himself was either too far away or too unimportant at the moment to the combatants to tempt them to fire upon him. In this way he succeeded in securing some astonishing views.

The good husband always dies. At least this is the opinion of a gentleman of our acquaintance who has married a series of widows.—Boston Transcript.



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